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SUBJECT: ICCS: GVN CONTRIBUTION TO ICCS BUDGET

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER TO AMBASSADOR DHARSONO. MARCH
CHAIRMAN OF ICCS FROM LE QUAN GIANG ASSISTANT TO THE GVN
FOREIGN MINISTER ON ABOVE SUBJECT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: QUOTE
MR. CHAIRMAN,

I HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN CONFIRMING TO YOU THAT THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS APPROVED THE BUDGET OF THE ICCS AS
DETAILED IN THE LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION DATED
25 FEBRUARY 1974.

I ENCLOSE HERewith A CHEQUE OF US DOLLARS TWO MILLION FOUR
HUNDRED SEVENTY INE THOUSAND ONE HUNDTED FORTY ONE AND CENTS
FIFTEEN(US\$2,479,141.15), WHICH CONSTITUTES THE REMAINING PART
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OF THE SHARE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETN-NAM.

MAY I REMIND YOU THAT PRIOR TO THIS PAYMENT MY GOVERNMENT
THRICE PROMPTLY RESPONDED TO THE COMMISSION'S APPEAL AND
ADVANCED TO THE COMMISSION A TOTAL SUM OF US\$4,063,430.34.
WITH TODAY'S PAYMENT WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED US\$6,542,571.49
TO THE FIRST YEAR'S BUDGET OF THE ICCS.
HOWEVER IN THE VIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
VIETN-NAM THE PROCRASTINATION AND CONTINUING LACK OF GOODWILL
OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE WHICH PERSISTS IN REFUSING TO PAY ITS FULL
SHARE TO THE ICCS HAS CREATED A SITUATION IN WHICH THE WORK
OF THE COMMISSION CANNOT BE ENTIRELY EFFECTIVE. IT IS HOPED THAT
THE COMMISSION WILL SEE TO IT THAT THIS SITUATION IS REMEDIED
AND THAT ALL SIGNATORIES TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT WILL SHOULDER
THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON AN EQUAL BASIS.
IT IS ALSO THE FERVENT HOPE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF VIETN-NAM THAT WITH THE CONTRIBUTION MADE AVAILABLE
TO YOU TODAY THE COMMISSION WILL BE ABLE FULLY TO DEPLOY ITS
TEAMS TO ALL PLACES SPECIFIED IN THE 27 JAN 1973 PROTOCOL
CONCERNING THE ICCS, WITH THE AIM OF ENSURING THAT ALL VIOLATIONS
OF THE CEASE FIRE ARE IMMEDIATELY INVESTIGATED IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF WHICH THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETN-NAM REMAINS FIRMLY COMMITTED.
ACCEPT, MR CHAIRMAN THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST
CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE END TEXT

3. FOREIGN MINISTRY WILL MAKE ABOVE PUBLIC AT 1630 HOURS.
MARCH 28. SAIGON TIME.
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